STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This proposed legislation will amend Idaho Code Section 18-8310, which establishes the requirements and process for a sex offender to petition to be removed from the sex offender registry. The legislation is intended to clarify the role of the central registry in the petition for removal process and to clarify the findings to be made by the courts in these cases. The amendments will require that the central registry be notified of the filing of a petition and be permitted to appear and participate at the hearing on the petition. It will clarify that the court hearing the petition must issue written findings in its decision on a petition and review the petitioner's criminal history, recidivist status, and status as an aggravated offender or violent sexual predator.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill would have no fiscal impact on the general fund.

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